**Test Yourself. (The answers are given)**

1. **Put each verb in brackets into an appropriate verb form.**
2. Sam *hadn't received* (not/receive) the parcel the last time I.............................................. (speak) to him.
3. I .............................................. (consider) buying a house but now I.............................................. (change) my mind.
4. I .............................................. (find) it difficult to convince the ticket inspector that I .............................................. (lose) my ticket, but he believed me in the end.
5. Ever since I .............................................. (be) a young child, I.............................................. (die) to meet you.
6. Sally! I .............................................. (not/expect) to see you here! What.............................................. (you/do) in New York?
7. **Decide whether each underlined phrase is correct or not. If it's incorrect rewrite the phrase.**
8. I had a great time in the Greek Islands. We would rent a small boat and go fishing every day. ....................................
9. Julie, hi! I've been hoping I'd see you. I've got some good news! ..................
10. We had a terrible time looking after your dog. It was constantly chasing the cats next door ...................
11. We had a lovely time in Madrid. Every day we were exploring the city, and in the evening we were going to exciting bars .....................................
12. The steam engine is usually thought of as a relatively modern invention, but the Greeks had built a kind of steam engine in ancient times ...................
13. I felt rather worried. It was growing darker and colder, and there was still no sign of the rescue helicopter..................
14. **Put each verb in brackets into a suitable past verb form.**
15. I realised that someone ***was stealing*** (steal) my wallet when I ***felt*** (feel) their hand in my jacket pocket.
16. When I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (phone) Helen last night she\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(wash) her hair.
17. Peter\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (offer) me another drink but I decided I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(have) enough.
18. Nobody\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (watch), so the little boy\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(take) the packet of sweets from the shelf and\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(put) it in his pocket.
19. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(not/realise) that I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(leave) my umbrella on the bus until it\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(start) to rain.
20. At school I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(dislike) the maths teacher because he\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (always/pick) on me.
21. Wherever Marion \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(find) a job, there was someone who\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (know) that she\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(go) to prison.
22. Several years later I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(find out) that during all the time I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(write) to my pen friend, my mother\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(open) and reading the replies!
23. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(not/understand) what\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(go on). Several people\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(shout) at me, and one passer-by\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(wave) a newspaper in front of my face.
24. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(know) I\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (do) well in my exams even before I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(receive) the official results.
25. **Underline the correct word or phrase in each sentence.**
26. It's a long time *since/when* I last saw you.
27. I've seen Bill quite often *lately/from time to time*.
28. Have you spoken to the director *beforehand/already*?
29. I've lived in the same house *for years/for ever*.
30. I've read the paper *now/still*.
31. Diana has bought a computer *two years ago/since then*.
32. Nothing much has been happening *by now/so far*.
33. I've finished reading her new book *at last/this evening*.
34. Sue bought a CD player last week and she's been listening to music *ever since/for a while*.
35. Sorry, but I haven't got that work finished *already/yet*.

**The answers**

2. hadn’t received, spoke
3. was considering/ had been considering, have changed
4. found, had lost
5. was, have been dying
6. didn’t expect, are you doing
8. rented, went
9. correct
10. correct
11. explored, went
12. built
13. correct
15. was stealing, felt
16. phoned, was washing
17. offered, had had
18. was watching, took, put
19. did not realize, had left, started
20. disliked, was always picking/ always picked
21. found, knew, had gone
22. found out, had been writing/ had written, had been opening
23. did not understand, was going on, were shouting/ shouted, waved
24. knew, had/ had not done, received
26. since
27. lately
28. already
29. for years
30. now
31. since then
32. so far
33. at last
34. ever since
35. yet